

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN JOSE ACCEPTING THE BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ORGANIZED RETAIL THEFT PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,489,349, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE ANY GRANT AGREEMENT, AMENDMENTS, AND ALL RELATED DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING ONLINE CERTIFICATIONS AT TIME OF AWARD ACCEPTANCE AND REIMBURSEMENT REQUESTS, WITHOUT FURTHER CITY COUNCIL ACTION, FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM FROM OCTOBER 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026

WHEREAS, the California State Budget Act of 2022 established the Organized Retail Theft Prevention Grant Program through Senate Bill 154, which set aside \$242,250,000 to be used to prevent and respond to organized retail theft, motor vehicle or motor vehicle accessory theft, and cargo theft support; and

WHEREAS, the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) awarded competitive grant funding to county sheriffs' departments, city police, and probation departments; and

WHEREAS, on July 7, 2023, the San José Police Department (Department) submitted a grant proposal for the BSCC Organized Retail Theft Prevention Grant Program; the application was accepted and approved on September 14, 2023, in the amount of \$8,489,349, which will provide funding for staffing, equipment, and technology to support investigations of retail theft and retail theft rings targeting the City of San José; and

WHEREAS, the grant term is October 1, 2023, through December 31, 2026, with grant funding to be allocated as follows, subject to reallocation and/or change over the course of the three-year grant term without changing the total award amount:

1. \$4,289,544 of the funds will be used for salaries and benefits, and overtime for operations and investigations. The program will fund temporary staffing consisting of one full-time Forensic Analyst and four part-time Forensic Analyst positions. In addition, overtime funding for Community Service Officers and Police Officers with the sole responsibility of retail theft prevention; Detectives in the Investigations Bureau to complete investigations involving arrests, apprehensions, and executions of search warrants; and an Analyst to oversee the grant program and ensure grant compliance.
2. \$3,629,193 of the funds will go towards equipment acquisitions to support the program. The largest investment would be \$3.1 million towards Automated License Plate Readers (ALPR) to be strategically deployed in the community to combat retail theft crimes. The remaining funds will go towards the acquisition of vehicles for staff to be able to respond solely to retail theft calls for service and conduct hot spot prevention, radios for safe communication, forensic computers/towers, software, and other technology purchases to assist with investigations in an effort to combat organized retail theft.
3. \$250,000 of the funds will go towards a data collection evaluator. Through data gathering and analysis, the Department will collaborate with a research partner to evaluate the proposed program and the impact of the technology implemented to support activities related to retail theft prevention efforts.
4. \$202,734 of the funds will go towards training. These funds will allow multiple staff members to attend the California Retailers Association Conference and other training opportunities to learn about best practices and procedures, new

intelligence concerning illegally obtained goods, and the use of forensic tools to efficiently analyze evidence.

5. \$117,878 of the funds will be utilized for services and supplies such as laptops, desktops, workstations, cellphones, and other miscellaneous supplies to assist with the day-to-day operations of the program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN JOSE THAT:

- A. The City Council hereby accepts the BSCC Organized Retail Theft Prevention Grant Program award of \$8,489,349.
- B. The City Manager or designee is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute any grant agreement, amendments, and all related documents, including online certifications at the time of award acceptance and reimbursement requests, without further City Council action, for a term of three years from October 1, 2023 through December 31, 2026.

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ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

DISQUALIFIED:

MATT MAHAN
Mayor

ATTEST:

TONI J. TABER, CMC
City Clerk